

IN THE CLAIMS:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of the claims in the present application:

1-22. (Canceled)

23. (Previously presented) An isolated polynucleotide comprising the nucleotide sequence as set forth in SEQ ID NO: 30.

24-30. (Canceled)

31. (New) An isolated polynucleotide consisting of the nucleotide sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 16.

32. (New) An isolated polynucleotide consisting of the nucleotide sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 17.

33. (New) An isolated polynucleotide consisting of the nucleotide sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 18.

34. (New) An isolated polynucleotide consisting of the nucleotide sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 19.

35. (New) An isolated polynucleotide consisting of the nucleotide sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 21.

36. (New) An isolated polynucleotide comprising SEQ ID NO: 16, SEQ ID NO: 17, SEQ ID NO: 18, one to three copies of SEQ ID NO: 20, and SEQ ID NO: 21, wherein said nucleic acid does not contain SEQ ID NO: 19.

37. (New) An isolated polynucleotide comprising SEQ ID NO: 16, SEQ ID NO: 17, SEQ ID NO: 20, and SEQ ID NO: 21, wherein said nucleic acid does not contain SEQ ID NO: 19.

38. (New) A recombinant vector comprising a 5' regulatory sequence operably linked to a heterologous coding region, wherein said 5' regulatory sequence comprises an isolated polynucleotide according to any of claims 23 or 36-37.

39. (New) A recombinant vector comprising a 5' regulatory sequence operably linked to a heterologous coding region, wherein said 5' regulatory sequence consists of an isolated polynucleotide according to any of claims 31-35.

40. (New) A host cell comprising the vector of claim 38.

41. (New) A host comprising the vector of claim 39.

42. (New) The host cell of claim 40 wherein said host cell is a yeast cell.

43. (New) The host cell of claim 41 wherein said host cell is a yeast cell.

44. (New) The host cell of claim 42 wherein said yeast cell is a methylotrophic yeast cell.

45. (New) The host cell of claim 43 wherein said yeast cell is a methylotrophic yeast cell.

46. (New) The host cell of claim 44 wherein said methylotrophic yeast cell is selected from the group of genera consisting of *Hansenula*, *Candida*, *Torulopsis*, and *Pichia*.

47. (New) The host cell of claim 45 wherein said methylotrophic yeast cell is selected

from the group of genera consisting of *Hansenula*, *Candida*, *Torulopsis*, and *Pichia*.

48. (New) The host cell of claim 44 wherein said methylotrophic yeast cell is a cell of *Pichia pastoris*.

49. (New) The host cell of claim 45 wherein said methylotrophic yeast cell is a cell of *Pichia pastoris*.

50. (New) A method for the production of a protein comprising growing the host cell of claim 40 under conditions where said host cell expresses a protein encoded by said heterologous coding region and isolating the expressed protein.

51. (New) A method for the production of a protein comprising growing the host cell of claim 41 under conditions where said host cell expresses a protein encoded by said heterologous coding region and isolating the expressed protein.

52. (New) The method of claim 50, wherein said yeast cell is a methylotrophic yeast cell.

53. (New) The method of claim 51, wherein said yeast cell is a methylotrophic yeast cell.

54. (New) The host cell of claim 52 wherein said methylotrophic yeast cell is a cell of *Pichia pastoris*.

55. (New) The host cell of claim 53 wherein said methylotrophic yeast cell is a cell of *Pichia pastoris*.